

DENTAL HYGIENE PRACTICE

| Practice Settings | Practices | Prescription Required When Dentist Not Present | Dentist Exam Required Within 12 Months | Patient of Record For 6 Months |
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| 1. Dental office | Practice dental hygiene and perform remediable procedures as an employee or independent contractor* | Yes, for all procedures except screenings | Yes | Yes |
| 2. School board or governing body of a private school | Practice dental hygiene and perform remediable procedures as an employee or independent contractor * | No | No | No |
| 3. School for education of dentists or dental hygienists | Practice dental hygiene and perform remediable procedures as an employee or independent contractor * | No | No | No |
| 4. Hospital, state or federal prison, county jail or federal, state, county or municipal correctional or detention facility or for facility to provide care for terminally ill patients | Practice dental hygiene and perform remediable procedures as an employee or independent contractor * | Yes, for all procedures except screenings | Yes | No |
| 5. A local health department | Practice dental hygiene and perform remediable procedures as an employee or independent contractor * | No | No | No |
| 6. Charitable institution open to the general public or to members of a religious sect or order | Practice dental hygiene and perform remediable procedures as an employee or independent contractor * | Yes, for all procedures except for screenings | Yes | No |
| 7. Nonprofit home health care agency | Practice dental hygiene and perform remediable procedures as an employee or independent contractor * | Yes, for all procedures except for screenings | Yes | No |
| 8. Nonprofit dental care program serving primarily indigent, economically disadvantaged or migrant worker populations | Practice dental hygiene and perform remediable procedures as an employee or independent contractor * | Yes, for all procedures except for screenings | Yes | No |

***Practice of Dentistry Delegated to a Dental Hygienist Under Chapter 447:** Pursuant to a treatment plan approved by a dentist who is licensed under 447, a dental hygienist licensed under Chap. 447 may administer the following upon delegation by the dentist if the dentist remains on the premises in which the practices are performed and is available to the patient throughout the completion of the appointment: 1. Oral systemic premedications, 2. Local anesthesia, 3. Subgingival sustained release chemotherapeutic agents.

1. Thomas J. Balistreri, Assistant Attorney General, December 9, 2004 Letter to Steven M. Gloe, General Legal Counsel, Department of Regulation and Licensing
2. Wisconsin Statutes and Administrative Code Relating to the Practice of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene